

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1793**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Art Unit : 1793                         | Customer No.: 035811    |
| Examiner : Jesse Randall Roe            |                         |
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| Filed : March 24, 2004                  |                         |
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| Title : HOT-ROLLED STEEL STRIP FOR HIGH |                         |
| : STRENGTH ELECTRIC RESISTANCE          |                         |
| : WELDING PIPE AND MANUFACTURING        |                         |
| : METHOD THEREOF                        | Dated: January 22, 2008 |

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**RESPONSE**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 9, 2007, Applicants amend the Application as follows: